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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7 C09C1/62 C09C1/64 C09C1/00 C09D5/03 C09D5/36

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the International search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	WO 99/57204 A (ECKART-WERKE STANDARD BRONZEPULVER-WERKE CARL-ECKART GMBH & CO; GREIWE) 11 November 1999 (1999-11-11) cited in the application page 4, line 6 - page 5, line 18 page 6, line 2 - page 7, line 25 page 11, line 4 - line 29 page 14, line 4 - line 10 example 1	1,3,4, 6-11,22, 25,26, 28,29,43
X	US 4 213 886 A (TURNER, ROBERT L) 22 July 1980 (1980-07-22) column 1, line 61 - column 2, line 14 column 2, line 46 - line 48 column 3, line 1 - column 4, line 59 ----- -/-	1,2,4,6, 7,10,11, 22,28

☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.

☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

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X	DE 102 09 359 A1 (MERCK PATENT GMBH) 18 September 2003 (2003-09-18) paragraphs '0001!, '0008! - '0012!, '0020!, '0021!, '0032! - '0034! examples 1,6 -----	1,2,4,5, 7,22,25, 28
P,A	WO 2004/029160 A (MERCK PATENT GMBH; HUBER, ADALBERT; ENTENMANN, MARC; SCHAUER, THADEUS) 8 April 2004 (2004-04-08) page 3, line 13 - page 4, line 9 page 5, line 35 - page 6, line 16 page 7, line 29 - page 10, line 16 example 3 -----	1-45

Feld II Bemerkungen zu den Ansprüchen, die sich als nicht recherchierbar erwiesen haben (Fortsetzung von Punkt 2 auf Blatt 1)

Gemäß Artikel 17(2)a) wurde aus folgenden Gründen für bestimmte Ansprüche kein Recherchenbericht erstellt:

1. ☐ Ansprüche Nr.
weil sie sich auf Gegenstände beziehen, zu deren Recherche die Behörde nicht verpflichtet ist, nämlich
2. ☒ Ansprüche Nr. 34 (Teil)
weil sie sich auf Teile der internationalen Anmeldung beziehen, die den vorgeschriebenen Anforderungen so wenig entsprechen, daß eine sinnvolle internationale Recherche nicht durchgeführt werden kann, nämlich
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3. ☐ Ansprüche Nr.
weil es sich dabei um abhängige Ansprüche handelt, die nicht entsprechend Satz 2 und 3 der Regel 6.4 a) abgefaßt sind.

Feld III Bemerkungen bei mangelnder Einheitlichkeit der Erfindung (Fortsetzung von Punkt 3 auf Blatt 1)

Die Internationale Recherchenbehörde hat festgestellt, daß diese internationale Anmeldung mehrere Erfindungen enthält:

1. ☐ Da der Anmelder alle erforderlichen zusätzlichen Recherchegebühren rechtzeitig entrichtet hat, erstreckt sich dieser internationale Recherchenbericht auf alle recherchierbaren Ansprüche.
2. ☐ Da für alle recherchierbaren Ansprüche die Recherche ohne einen Arbeitsaufwand durchgeführt werden konnte, der eine zusätzliche Recherchegebühr gerechtfertigt hätte, hat die Behörde nicht zur Zahlung einer solchen Gebühr aufgefordert.
3. ☐ Da der Anmelder nur einige der erforderlichen zusätzlichen Recherchegebühren rechtzeitig entrichtet hat, erstreckt sich dieser internationale Recherchenbericht nur auf die Ansprüche, für die Gebühren entrichtet worden sind, nämlich auf die Ansprüche Nr.
4. ☐ Der Anmelder hat die erforderlichen zusätzlichen Recherchegebühren nicht rechtzeitig entrichtet. Der internationale Recherchenbericht beschränkt sich daher auf die in den Ansprüchen zuerst erwähnte Erfindung; diese ist in folgenden Ansprüchen erfaßt:

Bemerkungen hinsichtlich eines Widerspruchs

☐ Die zusätzlichen Gebühren wurden vom Anmelder unter Widerspruch gezahlt.

☐ Die Zahlung zusätzlicher Recherchegebühren erfolgte ohne Widerspruch.

Continuation of Box II.2

Claim: 34 (in part)

The current claim 34 relates to an inordinately large number of possible products, of which only a small proportion are supported by the description (PCT Article 6) and/or can be regarded as having been disclosed in the application (PCT Article 5). In the present case the claims lack the proper support and the application lacks the requisite disclosure to such an extent that it does not appear possible to carry out a meaningful search covering the entire range of protection sought. The search was therefore directed to the parts of the claim that appear to be supported and disclosed in the above sense, namely the parts relating to the coated objects according to claim 33, which are preferably a façade element, a window frame, a motor vehicle chassis, or a motor vehicle frame, as disclosed on page 7, lines 1-7 of the description.

The applicant is advised that claims relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established cannot normally be the subject of an international preliminary examination (PCT Rule 66.1(e)). In its capacity as International Preliminary Examining Authority the EPO generally will not carry out a preliminary examination for subjects that have not been searched. This also applies to cases where the claims were amended after receipt of the international search report (PCT Article 19) or where the applicant submits new claims in the course of the procedure under PCT Chapter II. After entry into the regional phase before the EPO, however, an additional search can be carried out in the course of the examination (cf. EPO Guidelines, C-VI, 8.5) if the defects that led to the declaration under PCT Article 17(2) have been remedied.

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